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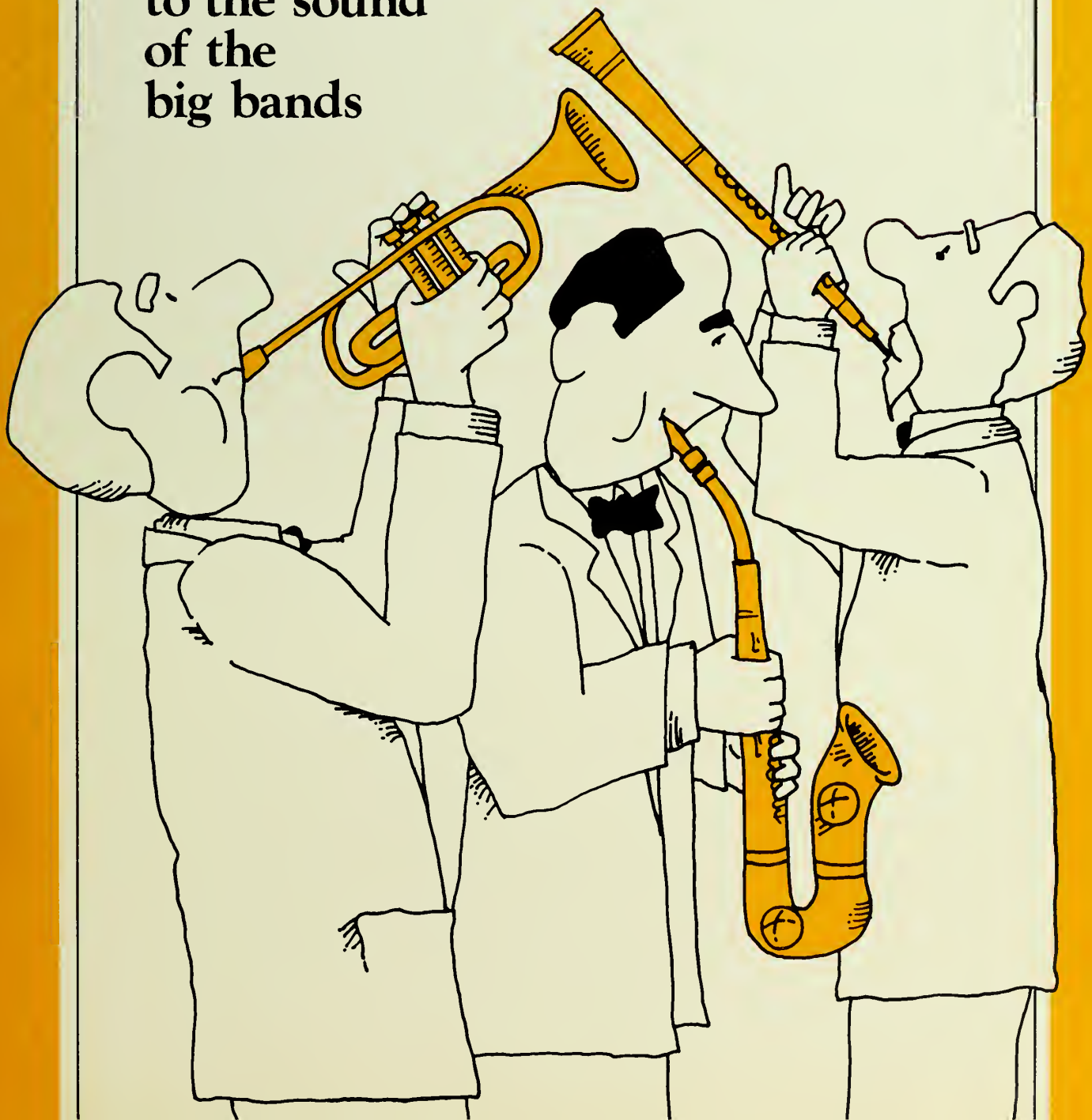

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BEHIND THE LINES

Charlie Spivak and his orchestra are going to provide the entertainment May 8 for our annual alumni homecoming banquet. There is an article about this in this issue and I encourage you to read it.

Our hope is to not only provide top entertainment with the "big band sound" but to provide an atmosphere in which you can mingle and renew acquaintances with fellow alumni and MCG faculty.

We had a good year-end giving response. Our alumni are participating in greater numbers and at a higher level. A special tip of the hat to Dr. and Mrs. J. Render Turner who started our Sesquicentennial Campaign with the first gift and recently topped it off with the whipped cream and cherry on top. We are grateful to many other fine alumni supporters who stand with us year by year with ever increasing gifts — fine friends like Drs. Harold Harrison, Milford Hatcher and John Paul Jones.

We are pleased to report Jim Piette, executive vice president, Union Camp Corporation, Savannah, has been added to our President's Advisory Council. The PAC had a successful meeting on campus on March 25.

While on the subject of our PAC we extend warm congratulations to two of our PAC members for recent honors. Mrs. Eloise Haley has been named "Woman of the Year in Albany for 1979," and Gerry Achenbach recently received the "Free Enterprise Booster of the Year" Award by the Georgia Foundation for Independent Colleges. Dr. Moretz and I were privileged to attend this banquet in his honor, and all of us join in saluting him for his great efforts in this area.

The School of Medicine Alumni Board of Managers meeting at Callaway Gardens in March, the annual banquet during the MAG at the Atlanta Hilton and the alumni reception and the School of Dentistry dinner during the Hinman meeting in Atlanta were great occasions.

The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia held their monthly meeting on campus, April 15 and 16. We conducted some exciting tours and activities for the Regents, their wives, and the Regents' staff members and their wives.

In this issue you will read about the coming of our new Dean of the School of Nursing. Dr. Mary E. Conway will assume this position on July 1. All of us here at the Medical College express deep appreciation to Acting Dean, Doris Sue Frazier, for the terrific job she has done.

Please take time now to circle May 8 on your calendar and make your plans to attend the alumni homecoming banquet and other activities. Use the registration form found in this issue.

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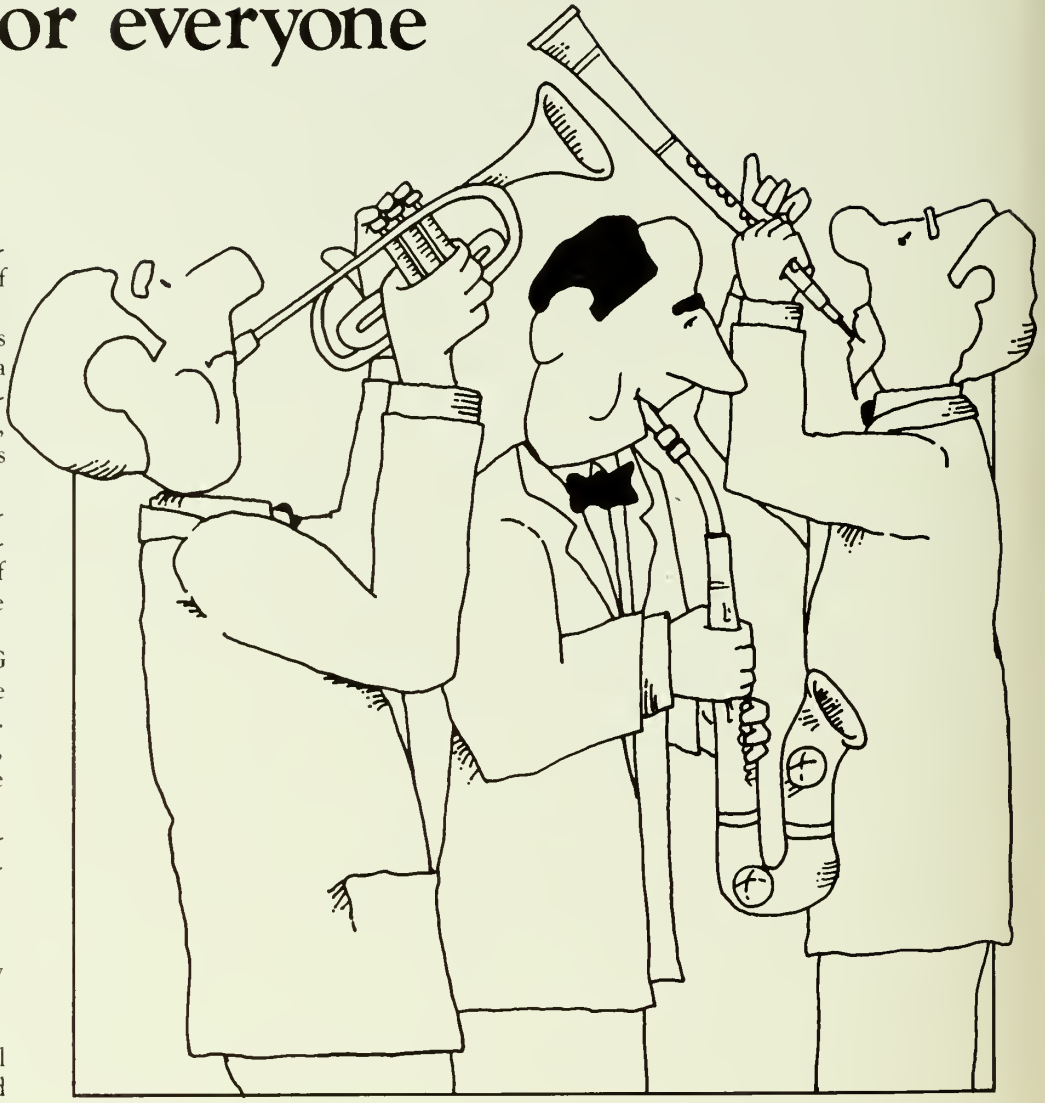
Homecoming '80 promises something for everyone



So you can't have something for everyone . . . well, not so, say organizers of Homecoming '80, May 8 and 9.

Larry Christensen says the schedule is packed with events ranging from a gala alumni banquet with a big band, to medical seminars, campus tours, receptions, reunions and, of course, the infamous sophomore class parade.

The Charlie Spivak Band and the annual alumni banquet will open the homecoming events with a festive evening of dining and dancing. (For more about the Spivak big band, see page 4).

Tours, led by members of the MCG Faculty Wives Club, will originate at the Alumni House on Thursday and Friday. Also during the two day homecoming, various continuing education courses are planned.

The school receptions and class reunions will occur Friday, as will the sophomore class parade.

A schedule of the events follows:

School of Nursing Alumni and Faculty
Reception — 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. — Thunderbird Inn
Presentation of the Phoebe Kandel Rohrer Award for Distinguished Service to Nursing
Presentation of an Honorary Alumnae Award

School of Dentistry Alumni and Faculty
Reception — 5 to 7 p.m. — Lobby, School of Dentistry Building

School of Allied Health Sciences Alumni and Faculty
No school-wide activity, but several departments will hold alumni receptions. Alumni will be notified by these departments.

School of Medicine Alumni and Faculty
Reception — 1 to 6 p.m. — MCG Alumni House

Reunion, Class of 1970
Augusta Hilton, Grove Room North and South
Social hour, 7 p.m.; dinner at 8 p.m. Cost: $20 per person.
Coordinator: William E. Barfield, Jr., MD, Augusta.

Reunion, Class of 1960
West Lake Country Club
Social hour, 7 p.m.; dinner at 8 p.m. Cost: $20 per person.
Coordinator: Frank W. McKinnon, MD, Marietta.

Reunion, Class of 1955
Augusta Country Club
Social hour, 7 p.m.; dinner at 8 p.m. Cost: $20 per person.
Coordinator: James C. Dudley, Jr., MD, Americus.

Reunion, Class of 1950
The Pinnacle Club
Social hour, 7 p.m.; dinner at 8 p.m. Cost: $20 per person.
Coordinator: Harold S. Engler, MD, Augusta.

Reunion, Class of 1945
The Pinnacle Club
Social hour, 7 p.m.; dinner at 8 p.m. Cost: $20 per person.
Coordinator: Grady E. Black, MD, Griffin.

Reunion, Class of 1940
Augusta Country Club
Social hour, 7 p.m.; dinner at 8 p.m. Cost: $15 per person.
Coordinators: W. Stewart Flanagin, MD, Augusta; Richard K. Winston, MD, Valdosta, and James W. Clower, Jr., MD, Daytona Beach, Fla.

Reunion, Class of 1935
Thunderbird Inn
Social hour, 7 p.m.; dinner at 8 p.m. Cost $20 per person.
Coordinator: Oscar H. Lott, MD, Douglas.

Other groups who wish to meet together may do so on their own, and may wish to make their own arrangements. If a group desires assistance from the Alumni House staff in organizing an activity and publicizing it, the staff will be happy to assist. Call (404) 828-4001.

Continuing Education Courses

Although continuing education is not an official part of MCG Homecoming, the Division of Continuing Education has made a special effort to schedule some of the finest programs of the year during this homecoming time period.

MEDICINE

MEDICAL SYMPOSIUM May 5-10
Sixty-three MCG faculty members will present this broadly interdisciplinary course. For the benefit of our alumni, *simultaneous* specialty sessions are scheduled on May 8-10 to give wide choices, including gastrointestinal diseases, trauma, cerebrovascular diseases, obstetrics, pulmonary diseases, cancer, coronary heart diseases, health hazard appraisal, psychiatry, and "How to Score Higher on Board Exams." Special activities include: Augusta historical tour, shopping trip to Regency Mall, "Searching for Your Ancestors" course, antique shop tour, and golfing at Forest Hills.
Cost: $280 or $55 per day; extra costs for special activities.
For more information, write for brochure:
Division of Continuing Education
Medical College of Georgia
Augusta, Ga. 30912
(404) 828-3967

DENTISTRY

ELEMENTS OF PREVENTIVE DENTISTRY May 8-10
Twelve MCG faculty members cover current concepts of preventive dentistry for the dentist, the dental hygienist, the dental assistant, and other interested health professionals.
Cost: $35
For more information, write for brochure:
Division of Continuing Education
Medical College of Georgia
Augusta, Ga. 30912

NURSING

NURSING RESEARCH AND PATIENT EDUCATION SYMPOSIUM May 8-9
Presented by the School of Nursing Alumni Association, this course includes the latest in nursing research and patient education.
Thursday
8:30-9 a.m. Registration
9-11:30 a.m. What Nursing Research Is
11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Free Time
1:30-4 p.m. Nursing Research Presentations
Friday
8-8:30 a.m. Registration
8:30-11:45 a.m. Patient Education
2-4 p.m. Alumni Business Meeting
7:30-9:30 p.m. Reception — Thunderbird Inn
Cost: None
For more information, write for brochure:
Alumni House
Medical College of Georgia
Augusta, Ga. 30912

REGISTRATION FORM
The 1980 Annual Alumni and Faculty Homecoming
May 8-9

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (____) _____

MCG Degree(s), Affiliation: _____ Yr. of Grad., if Alumnus: _____

Specialty or type of work: _____

Spouse, family members, and guests in party: _____

We wish to participate:

Activity	Cost
☐ MCG Faculty Wives Club campus tours, Thursday or Friday, during the day	None
☐ Thursday Evening Banquet with the Charlie Spivak Band	$15/person
☐ School of Nursing Reception, Friday Evening	None
☐ School of Dentistry Reception, Friday Evening	None
☐ School of Medicine Reception, Friday Evening	None

School of Medicine Class Reunions:

☐ 1970 — $20/person
☐ 1960 — $20/person
☐ 1955 — $20/person
☐ 1950 — $20/person
☐ 1945 — $20/person
☐ 1940 — $15/person
☐ 1935 — $20/person

A check for $ _____, payable to the MCG Foundation, is enclosed.

Please send this registration form and all communications to:
The 1980 Alumni and Faculty Homecoming
Medical College of Georgia Alumni House
Augusta, Georgia 30912

Charlie Who?

by Dr. Thomas McDonald

Yesterday I told a younger faculty member that Charlie Spivak and his band would be at MCG for our homecoming. His answer was "Charlie who?" I suddenly realized that a good deal of time had passed since I saw the Spivak band on the stage of the Chicago Theater.

It doesn't seem that long ago that Glenn Miller was filling the radio waves with Tuxedo-Junction, Les Brown was "Going to Take a Sentimental Journey," and Professor Kay Kayser was holding forth with his College of Musical Knowledge. There were also Sammy Kaye, the Dorsey brothers, Benny Goodman and many other "big band era" greats. Among the big band vocalists, and vocalists were important "show stoppers," were the Eberly brothers, Tex Beneke, Francis Langford, Helen O'Connel (remember "Tangerine") and the young Frank Sinatra, not to mention Kay Kayser's "Ischkubibbil."

Some of the band leaders were outstanding musicians. Jimmy Dorsey played a smooth trombone, Eddie Duchin was a masterful pianist, Benny Goodman played a mean clarinet, and Harry James, Bunny Berigan and Charlie Spivak were great trumpet players.

Well, some of you are probably too young to remember all of these names (and many were left out), but thanks to a relatively recent revival, you are not altogether unfamiliar with the big band sound. It's certainly a pleasant sound, a lot of harmony and interplay among the brass, wood winds and the rhythm sections. In its soft mood it's dreamy and conducive to "touch dancing" and even in the faster jitterbug type dancing, you hug your partner every so often.

Since I was on the committee that decided to have a big band for the homecoming banquet, I was asked to contact Spivak who we heard had his band back together and was performing in Greenville, S. C. The moment he answered the phone I could tell that I was speaking with a man dedicated to perpetuating the big band sound.

Reflecting on his long career, Spivak says he got his start in the music business with the Paul Specht Band in 1925. It was with this group he perfected his famous trumpet technique and learned the rules of the road. In 1931 Ben Pollack heard Spivak and asked him to join his band. The Pollack band featured a number of the best musicians of the era and Spivak stepped into the first trumpet chair alongside the likes of Benny Goodman, Jack Teagarden, Glenn Miller, Yank Lawson and Harry James.

By 1934 Spivak had developed a national reputation and was asked to join the Dorsey brothers, who were becoming very popular, particularly in the New York recording studios. It was a time of reunion for Spivak and Glenn Miller. The two had formed a close association and when Miller was commissioned to assemble an orchestra for Ray Noble's American debut in 1935, Spivak was the first man signed up. Spivak liked New York and when Noble started touring he decided to remain in the big city. In 1936 and 1937 the trumpeter became the highest paid New York radio and studio sideman. He says he still had the big band bug, and in 1938 joined the Bob Crosby Band, holding down the first trumpet alongside Yank Lawson and Billy Butterfield. The Bob Crosby records from that period are considered to be their finest.

Later Spivak played with the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra and the Jack Teagarden Band.

Spivak says his biggest break came when Glenn Miller financed his first big band as well as setting up engagements for him at the prestigious Glen Island Casino in New Rochelle, N. .Y. Miller also had the Spivak band substitute at the Pennsylvania Hotel when his radio show and Paramount Theatre dates conflicted.

Presently Spivak's band is a mixture of old and young musicians. There are 15 members with five brass pieces, five saxes, three rhythm, Spivak and "Dubby," Spivak's wife who is the band's vocalist.

We are all looking forward to the events of our Homecoming days, not the least of which will include the big band of Charlie Spivak playing at the banquet on May 8.

Wammock 'steps down'

Dr. Hoke Wammock has retired as director of the Enoch Callaway Cancer Center in LaGrange. Dr. Wammock stepped down in January after a 17 year tenure.

The well-known alumnus of the class of '28 said his retirement does not represent an outright withdrawal from cancer research and treatment, but a welcomed "slowing down."

"I'm looking forward to being relieved of my day-to-day administrative responsibilities, but I plan to take a deep breath and continue in consultative practice here at the clinic," says Wammock.

Wammock brought an impressive array of experience to the clinic when he assumed the directorship in 1962.

He had served as chief of staff of Jeanes Hospital in Philadelphia, was professor of oncology and surgery at the Medical College of Georgia, chairman of the Committee on Cancer of the Medical Association of Georgia, president of the Sixth District Medical Society, president of the Georgia Surgical Society and chief of staff at the City-County Hospital in LaGrange.

During his tenure as director, Wammock oversaw the modernization and expansion of the former West Georgia Cancer Clinic into a widely recognized facility.

The clinic was charted in 1948, with Dr. Enoch Callaway as its first director. Dr. Callaway died in 1961, and Dr. Wammock assumed the directorship.

In 1975 the clinic was renamed in honor of Callaway, a pioneer in cancer diagnosis and treatment in Georgia. Expansion was made possible through a grant of land by the Fuller E. Callaway Foundation and a contribution of more than $3.6 million dollars by the Callaway Foundation, Inc. for the building and modern equipment.

Wammock has been the recipient of many professional awards during his noteworthy career, including a distinguished service award from the Medical Association of Georgia for his work in cancer. In addition, he was awarded a Certificate of Recognition of Significant Contributions in the field of nuclear medicine and was elected a Distinguished Fellow of the American College of Nuclear Medicine in 1976.

MCG named Wammock as official sesquicentennial alumni ambassador during the medical college's 150th anniversary in 1978. Also in 1978 the Medical Association of Georgia recognized him for 50 years of service in the field of medicine.

New Founders Club members

The Founders Club has five new members: Dr. Atwood McGowen Freeman Jr., Dr. Donald D. Gold, Dr. Lawson C. Johnson Sr., Dr. Donald Gambrell, and Dr. Robert J. Starling. Dr. Milford Hatcher, Dr. Russell A. Acree, and Mr. Jack Bandy, all members of the Founders Club, described their own personal relationship with MCG at the dinner meeting honoring the new members.

Awards presented

Two organizations were honored at a recent meeting of the Presidents club. Accepting the award for the Mary Allen Lindsey Branan Foundation was Mr. Arthur Baxter, executive secretary and his wife Virginia Baxter of Atlanta. Dr. Milton I. Johnson Jr., president of the Georgia Academy of Family Physicians, and his wife Joyce Johnson of Macon accepted the award for the Academy. Mr. Charles Presley, Dr. J. Harold Harrison and Dr. Milton I. Johnson were speakers for the occasion.

(L-R) Arthur Baxter and Virginia Baxter; Laura Moretz and Dr. William Moretz; Dr. Milton I. Johnson Jr. and Joyce Johnson.

Dental news

MCG dental faculty, classmates and friends paid special tribute to a graduate and faculty member Feb. 1 when Medical College President William H. Moretz accepted a portrait of the late Dr. Ralph Talman from members of his 1974 dental school class. Present for the occasion were several generations of the Talman family. The portrait has been hung in the School of Dentistry.

The dental school Alumni Association held its annual party in conjunction with the Hinman meeting in Atlanta March 22. The party, at Peachtree Plaza Hotel, included dinner and dancing and a speech from dental school Dean Judson Hickey on "Past Accomplishments and Future Goals of the Dental School."

At the end of May, the dental school will host the second annual Marvin C. Goldstein lecture. Guest for the event will be Dr. Morton Amsterdam who will give a two day course on periodontal prosthesis.

Amsterdam is professor of periodontics and peridontal prosthesis at the University of Pennsylvania's School of Dental Medicine. He serves also as lecturer in periodontology at the Harvard University School of Dental Medicine and is visiting professor of prosthetic dentistry at Boston University's School of Graduate Medicine.

Yeh Club

Good physicians have fans, but how many have organized fan clubs? Dr. Thomas Yeh of Savannah is one such physician.

The Toombs County Yeh Club is composed of 24 Toombs County citizens on whom Dr. Yeh has performed bypass and open heart surgery within the past few years.

The club recently honored Dr. Yeh with a luncheon at the Vidalia Country Club.

In thanking his patients for the luncheon Dr. Yeh said, "There is no greater reward for a doctor than to have patients trust their health and welfare to his care."

Dr. Yeh earned his medical degree in Taiwan before moving to the United States and serving his internship in Ogden, Utah. After completing a general surgical residency in Louisville, Ky., he came to MCG for training in thoracic surgery. Still more training took him to McGill University, Montreal, Canada. He then returned to MCG where he served on the faculty for seven years. For the past 12 years he has practiced in Savannah.

Piette appointed

A Union Camp industry senior vice president has been appointed to the President's Advisory Council at MCG.

James M. Piette of Savannah, senior vice president and general manager, Primary Products and general manager, Unbleached Products Division of Union Camp, will serve with other leading Georgia industrialists and business leaders on the advisory council to President William H. Moretz.

Piette is a Purdue University graduate in civil engineering. His civic activities include service as president of the Rotary Club of Savannah, a director of the American Red Cross, Savannah area Chamber of Commerce, and St. Joseph's Hospital. Piette is a director of the C&S Bank, the Savannah Electric and Power Company and is chairman of the Top Management Advisory Committee of the Savannah Chapter of International Management Council.

'Good ole days' at the Alumni Tavern recalled

Plate lunches were 25¢, everybody knew everybody else and medical students waited on tables to pay for their meals.

That's the way it was in 1936 when food was served on campus at an unusual establishment called the Alumni Tavern.

Alumni will remember fondly the dining area which was noted for its distinctive decor resembling a European tavern, complete with simulated handhewn beams and colorful caricatures of faculty members adorning the walls.

The Newton building where the facility was located is long since gone, but memories of "good ole days" were brought to life recently in reminiscing with Mrs. Nathan Wright, her daughter June Deas and June's husband Joe. Altogether the three of them spent over half a century in the food business at MCG before they retired and each one worked in the Alumni Tavern at one time.

Mrs. Wright says Dr. Lombard Kelly, who was president of the Medical College during the 30's, recognized the need to have an eating establishment located on campus. When the time came to open the facility she was chosen to direct the operation.

"The atmosphere was very informal. People simply wrote their orders on slips of paper and left them at the counter. We had an open charge system and never had any trouble collecting money from our customers," says Mrs. Wright.

Deas, business manager of the Alumni Tavern from 1945-1955 says they served 100-150 people a day.

"Farmers would bring their produce directly to the building. Sometimes they would come in mule-drawn wagons. Med students often times would pay for their meals by waiting on tables for 30 minutes during the lunch hour," says Deas.

He recalled with amusement the eating habits of some of the regular patrons.

Alumni tavern was located in the Newton building.

"There was one doctor who always wanted a pimento cheese sandwich and a peanut butter sandwich everyday and they had to be in a certain order when we served them to him. The pimento cheese sandwich always had to be on top of the peanut butter or he wouldn't eat it. He would send them back to the kitchen and ask us to place them in "proper" order.

"I remember Dr. Kelly as a fine distinguished gentleman, but he always cut his chicken like he was cutting a cadaver. He was very particular about the way it was sliced."

Mrs. Deas began helping in the Alumni Tavern in the late 40's and in 1956 when Talmadge Hospital was completed she was placed in charge of the new snack bar. She had responsibility for its operation in the same fashion that her mother had with the Alumni Tavern. In 1967 the cafeteria opened and auxiliary services at MCG began supervising the operation. At that time Mrs. Deas began to work for the cafeteria and continued working in a supervisory capacity until her retirement last year.

"I wouldn't trade my years here at MCG for anything. The Alumni Tavern was a particularly pleasant place to work. We were all like one big family," she says.

He's a country doctor with the boogie-woogie beat

by Doug Vinson

Dr. Bill Dodd is a physician, but when he says he is practicing you might not find him anywhere near a stethoscope. To Dodd, practice often means listening to and creating a different kind of beat — jazz.

A "country doctor" who has been taking care of folks in Wrightsville for 30 years Dodd is also an accomplished jazz pianist.

The '47 MCG alumnus began playing the instrument when he was 13 years old. At Mercer University he led one of the college bands, in addition to playing engagements around the Macon area with his own big band. A stint in the U.S. Army gave Dodd the chance to further his musical talents by playing the bass horn with the 121st Infantry Band.

During his days as a MCG student, he continued to pursue musical interests. "As a medical student I didn't have as much time to play as I would have liked, but my senior year I did play regularly at the Bon Air Hotel which was the place to be back then."

It was through his work at the Bon Air that Dodd made friends with some of the leading musicians of the day.

"The Glenn Miller Band was stationed at Daniel Field in Augusta at that time and I got to know a lot of the band members when we played at social functions in town."

After graduation the practice of medicine left little time for the piano, but Dodd maintained his friendships with musicians he had become acquainted with over the years, and he occasionally played an engagement. His record albums bear personal dedications from artists such as Earl "Fatha" Hines and his photo albums show the extensive variety of jazz clubs in which he has played.

A 1977 invitation to play in a jazz festival in Atlanta served as the impetus for his renewed involvement in the art.

"A lot of the musicians at the festival encouraged me to become more active in the field so I did."

Since that time he has played and conducted a charity benefit in New Orleans and sat in on numerous sessions with top musicians who play with Al Hirt, Pete Fountain and other jazz greats.

"Jazz people really have a good time when they get together. There is a certain affinity they have for each other and their music. They can't play it unless they can feel it," says Dodd.

The physician says the hallmark of jazz is improvisation. Illustrating the point, Dodd tells of an engagement played in Macon with several noted musicians who had never practiced together prior to the concert, in fact they had never seen each other. Dr. Dodd, emceeing the event, introduced the band to the audience then said "Now I'll have to introduce the band to each other and then we will begin."

His appointment as director of the Wrightsville Manor several years ago provided him an opportunity to "improvise" medically.

In an effort to improve patient care, give nursing home directors a unified voice and monitor increasing government regulations on long-term health care facilities, Dodd formed a national organization called the American Health Care Medical Directors Association.

A thick file of letters in his office from medical groups across the country along with letters of endorsement from United States senators and congressmen attest to the effectiveness of the organization.

Dodd believes his musical background complements his medical practice well because both endeavors take creativity and understanding.

"It is important to feel with and for your patients and music, especially jazz helps you to stay in touch with your own feelings."

New nursing dean

Dr. Mary E. Conway has been appointed dean of the School of Nursing at the Medical College of Georgia.

Conway received the PhD degree from Boston University and presently serves as dean, School of Nursing at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Conway's experience as a staff nurse led to her position as assistant director of nursing at Albany Medical Center, NY and later to director of Nursing at Monroe Community Hospital, NY.

In addition she has served as consultant nurse, bureau of hospital nursing at the NY State Health Department, Albany.

At Boston University School of Nursing she served as an assistant professor as well as chairman of the Doctor of Nursing Science program.

Conway is serving as a consultant in research development at Columbia Hospital, Family Hospital and the VA Hospital in Milwaukee. She also is a consultant to the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Nursing in the development of a PhD program.

She has served as a consultant to many organizations including: World Health Organization, NY State department of civil service; Governor Rockefeller's Advisory Council on vocational rehabilitation; workshop for department of nursing at St. Mary's Hospital; VA Hospital, West Roxbury, Mass. and the School of Nursing, State University of NY at Albany.

She has been included in numerous publications — *Nursing Research, Journal of Nursing Administration* and *Nursing Outlook* — on different aspects of the nursing profession.

Conway is co-editor of *Role Theory: Perspectives for Health Professionals*, published by Appleton-Century Crofts, NY, 1978.

She has served on the Board of Directors for the National League for Nursing; chairman of the Assembly of Constituent Leagues and president of NY State League for Nursing.

In addition, she is a member of the Board of Directors of the Visiting Nurse Association; is a member of the United Way of Greater Milwaukee Allocations Board; Advisory Board, Milwaukee County Human Services; Peer Review Panel, HEW, Health Resources Administration, Doctoral Fellowship and Institutional Research awards.

Her honors include: Sigma Theta Tau, the national honorary society; citation by the President of the United States for service as chairman of the selective service nurse advisory board and she is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing.

Her appointment at MCG will be effective July 1. Col. Sue Frazier will remain acting dean until that time.

Dentistry and nursing undergo site visits

The Medical College's Schools of Dentistry and Nursing underwent site accreditation visits during February.

The dental visitation team was headed by D. William E. Brown, dean of the College of Dentistry at the University of Oklahoma.

The accreditation, the second in the school's history, was comprehensive, taking in the doctoral program, the associate dental sciences program and the advanced educational program in dental specialties.

Dr. Thomas Zwemer, associate dean for academic affairs in the dental school, says the accreditation review team gives commendations, recommendations and suggestions to the dental school.

The School of Nursing also had a site accreditation in February. Dr. Marie Josberger, dean of the College of Nursing at the University of Tennessee in Memphis headed the visitation team. The purpose of this visit was to continue accreditation of the baccalaureate and masters program.

Construction continues

Anyone who's been in Talmadge Memorial Hospital during the last 18 months can attest that renovations abound.

Some $4.3 million has been expended in a renovation program begun in 1978 to rejuvenate the old hospital and install fire safety systems on each floor.

The hospital has not had a facelift since it was built in the late 50's, and it will take until 1985 to completely modernize each floor.

In addition to the fire safety systems, the tile walls will be replaced with vinyl ones in bright, refreshing colors. The 4-bed rooms will be converted to private and semi-private rooms.

And, around campus hard hats are a common sight as work continues on the renovation of Old University Hospital, the library, the radiation therapy center and the physical plant building.

Old University Hospital will furnish a new home for nursing, and for the departments of medical technology and occupational therapy.

The $2.1 million library expansion will add some 40,000 square feet to that building.

U.S. Congressman Doug Barnard talks with President William H. Moretz before delivering speech on campus on "Legislative Aspects of Health Education in the 1980s."

AAMC expert visits campus

Dr. Marjorie P. Wilson, internationally recognized specialist in the area of faculty roles in decision making, spoke to several different groups at the Medical College of Georgia in January.

She made suggestions to the MCG faculty on how they can become more efficient and effective in the decision making process.

Wilson currently serves as director of the department of institutional development for the Association of American Medical Colleges. She holds the MD degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

Greenblatt lectureship

The 1980 Robert B. Greenblatt lecturer at the Medical College of Georgia was Dr. Bruno Lunenfeld, director, The State of Israel's Chaim Sheba Medical Center.

The Robert B. Greenblatt lectureship was begun in spring of 1975 in the department of endocrinology at the Medical College of Georgia.

The establishment of this lectureship, through the MCG Foundation, Inc., enables the department to bring outstanding and distinguished leaders in endocrinology or related fields to the Augusta campus.

Professor Lunenfeld's research involves the basic aspects of human reproduction and endocrine studies. His current work includes studies on the identification of nuclear estradiol receptors in human breast cancer patients.

SACS accreditation reaffirmed

MCG accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools was reaffirmed recently in a message to President William Moretz from Gordon W. Sweet, executive secretary of the Commission on Colleges.

Accreditation came following an extensive self study by all five MCG schools of academic programs, faculty, students, student facilities, finances, and any programs which influence the operations of the institution.

Following the study and publication of all self study documents under the direction of Dr. Jackie Weatherred, chairman of the Institutional Self Study Steering Committee, a site visit was made by a Southern Association of Colleges and Schools team headed by Dr. Fred Hicks, executive vice president of Rollins College.

MCG was first accredited by the association in 1973 and under guidelines was reexamined in 1978 for full 10 year accreditation which it received.

Dr. Sweet, in informing President Moretz of the accomplishment, congratulated the school and stated that the first follow-up report on all recommendations by the site visit team will be due Sept. 1.

NATO taps MCG

The Medical College of Georgia was chosen as a 1980 conference site by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

According to Dr. Lawrence C. Hartlage, MCG professor of pediatrics and neurology and co-writer for the NATO event, 100 top NATO scientists will gather at the Medical College in September to discuss neuropsychology and cognition as these relate to our mutual defense.

Director for the conference is Dr. R. N. Malatesha, professor of education psychology at Oregon State University in Corvallis.

MRA chairwoman appointed

Becky Davenport was appointed chairwoman of the department of medical record administration.

Davenport, who assumed her new duties in January, was assistant professor in the department. She completed undergraduate and masters degree work at North Carolina State.

Prior to coming to the Medical College in 1977, she was assistant professor and program head of the medical record technology curriculum at Central Virginia Community College. She also has served as director of medical record services at North Carolina Memorial Hospital.

Among her many professional activities Davenport is chairwoman of the research and development committeee of the American Medical Record Association.

'Love of people makes it simple'

by Julie Weber

How does one find time to be a wife, mother, nurse instructor and president of an alumni association? Martha Sacksteder's love of people and teaching make it quite simple.

Martha is married to a senior resident in general surgery at Talmadge Memorial Hospital, has a 14 month old baby girl, is an instructor of adult nursing and serves as president of MCG's School of Nursing Alumni Association.

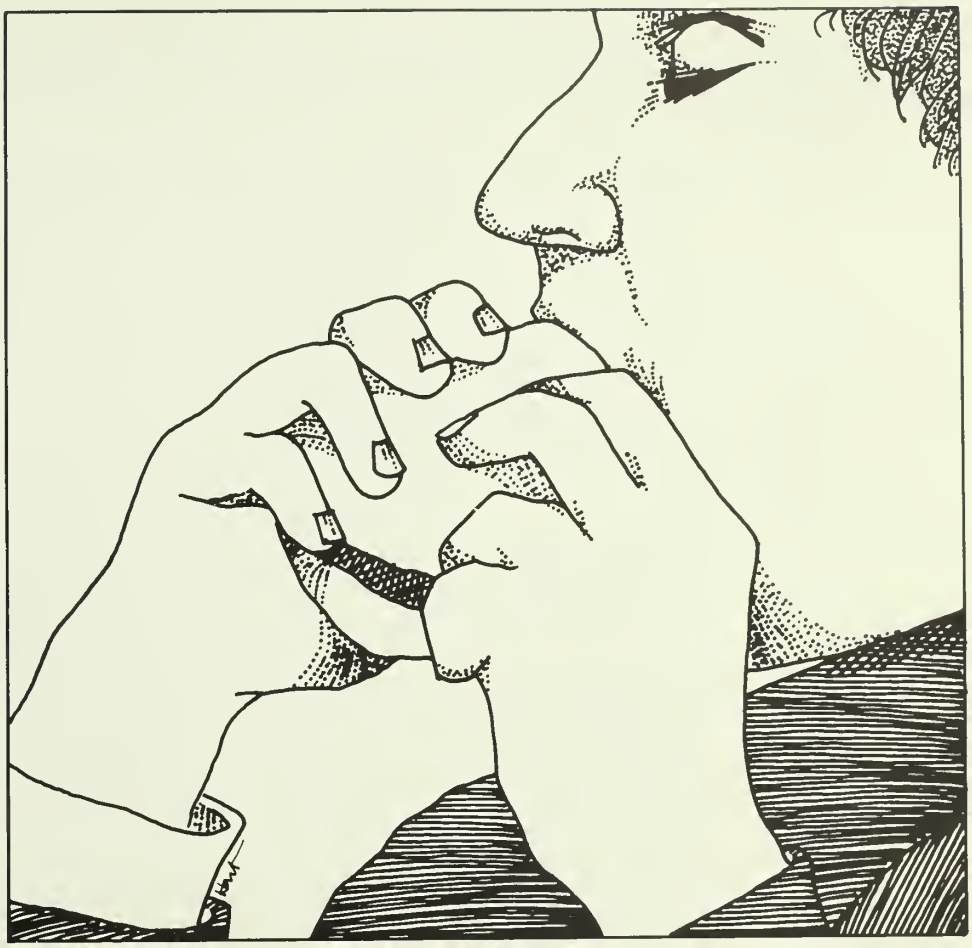
When elected president in May '78 Martha had high expectations as to what the alumni association could accomplish. "I'd like to make the alumni association attractive to our graduates so that they will feel good about spending some time working at it. We all have a finite amount of time to devote to our homes, families and to our work. There are many professional associations that we can belong to, but we can't make all of them meaningful. Most of us pick one or two organizations and do our best to make them work."

Now, approaching the end of her 2-year term as president, we can see the progress the nursing association has made. She has planned and conducted a successful continuing education program as part of MCG's 1979 homecoming; through her efforts more than $1,000 has been contributed to the endowment fund; she initiated the first annual Phoebe Kandel Rohrer Founders Award, which she presented to Mrs. Lillian Carter; she had the best meeting record of any alumni association — meeting with her officers once a month; she re-wrote the by-laws making them more current and flexible and the alumni were better represented due to the fact that she was on campus.

Martha's nursing career started as a young girl growing up in Ellijay, Ga. Through a hospital youth program at Watkins Memorial Hospital in Gilmer County she began what was to be her profession. In June 1973, Martha received her BSN from MCG and went on to Grady Hospital in Atlanta as a night charge nurse in a medical intensive care unit. A year later she returned to Augusta as a staff nurse in the coronary care unit at Talmadge. At that time she started work on her masters and received it in December '75. In October 1975 Martha became head nurse on the neurology and neurosurgery unit. And in January '77 she became a faculty member of adult nursing in the School of Nursing, where she is today.

Martha feels the role of nursing today is more diverse than the time when she was in school. The clinical agencies are helpful and receptive to the students. "And a big factor today is that there are a lot more men in nursing who find that there are many jobs that fulfill their professional needs and can be exciting to them."

Institute puts bite on poor nutrition



by John Donnelly

The field of nutrition is one with a solid historical background at the Medical College of Georgia through the research of pioneers like Dr. Virgil Sydenstricker, Dr. Hervey Cleckley and Dr. Sam Singal. In this tradition of involvement with nutrition and health, the Georgia Institute of Human Nutrition has been established within the MCG School of Medicine.

Dr. Elaine Feldman, professor of medicine and director of the nutrition institute, says "Dr. Sydenstricker and Dr. Singal both did a great deal of research in pellagra and nutritional deficiencies and Dr. Cleckley, a psychiatrist, years ago studied, without positive results, the effects of megadoses of vitamins on forms of mental illness."

"Once it was found vitamins cured deficiency diseases, they were pretty much forgotten. Now they are being discovered again," she says.

The Institute was organized in June of 1978 by faculty members from the Medical College, encouraged by representatives from the Savannah Cardiovascular Council. The cooperation of these two groups encouraged faculty members involved in nutrition related research to use their knowledge and skills to build on the epidemiologic data base developed, since 1972, by the Savannah council's hypertension screening and outreach program, and since the '50's by Dr. Curtis Hames in Evans County.

The major purpose of the Institute is the investigation of nutrition related diseases which are the leading cause of death in the state of Georgia. These include cardiovascular disease, hypertension, neoplasia. They are also investigating nutritional deficiencies related to hospitalized patients and the problems of maternal and infant nutrition.

One of the first methods the institute used in establishing itself was the publication of a newsletter, **Food for Thought.** Today this newsletter is distributed to students and faculty of the School of Medicine and also to those on and off campus who were interested in the nutrition field. Funding for the newsletter was provided for a time by the Mead Johnson Nutritional Division.

The Georgia Institute of Human Nutrition is set up in a three branch format consisting of research, service and education. "Although we are embryonic at this time, we will be a resource for the entire state," Feldman states.

To this end, the Institute's education branch is dealing with interested students and health professionals through several programs. "We are working to provide an interdisciplinary framework for offering degree credit work," according to Feldman. "This will involve students, not just from medicine but also dentistry and the graduate studies programs as well."

In addition to their work with undergraduate and graduate students, the Georgia Institute of Human Nutrition sponsors continuing education courses for physicians who wish to keep abreast of developments in the field. A post graduate course, Frontiers in Nutrition, is being prepared for next fall and will be similar to courses offered in 1978 and 1979. As is much of the work done by the Institute, the course is sponsored by grants from outside sources.

The education branch is also involved with the education of consumers, both in the public sector through groups such as Health Central, and with patients at Talmadge Hospital, providing therapeutic and preventive care.

Currently the Institute is involved in three areas of research: lipids, trace minerals and nutritional biochemistry. "We are in the process of achieving a state-of-the-art Lipid and Lipoprotein Laboratory which will be used to look into interrelations with deficiencies of various trace elements (selenium) and vitamins (vitamin E) in Georgia," Feldman states.

Of the Institute as a whole, Feldman says, "We are putting together an administrative format for research and educational people to work in. In addition, we are setting up a structure for financial base. The Institute accepts contributions from the public and private sources to conduct these programs," Feldman sums up.

With the field of nutrition being perceived as becoming more and more vital within the field of medicine, the Georgia Institute of Human Nutrition has the opportunity to provide a basis for better health through research and the education of the public.

Dr. Henry M. Michel

He was a scholar, surgeon and soldier

by Jane Downing Chandler

Editor's Note: Our readers have often requested more anecdotes and information about individuals significant in MCG's history. This is one such article, and was researched and written by Mrs. Jane Downing Chandler, wife of Dr. A. Bleakley Chandler, chairman of pathology at MCG.

After twenty years of active practice in orthopaedic surgery in Augusta, Georgia, Dr. Henry Middleton Michel left for France. It was as if this were part of a predetermined plan.

Dr. Henry Middleton Michel had ties with France through family generations and his trip to the nation was akin to a homecoming. By training he was an orthopaedic surgeon; by intellect a scholar, and by personality an extraordinary man.

Dr. Henry Michel's great-grandfather, Dr. Francis Michel, lived in Port au Prince, Haiti, but practiced medicine for a time in Charleston, S. C. Dr. Henry Michel's grandfather, Dr. William Daniel Michel (1795-1869) was born in Port au Prince, received his medical education in Paris and served in the Napoleonic Wars. He also practiced medicine in Charleston. Dr. Henry Michel's father, Dr. William Middleton Michel (1822-1894), like his father was educated in Paris and practiced medicine in Charleston. Middleton Michel studied in Paris under some of the most famous men of the time, such as Richet, Coste, Cruveilhier, and Longet. He served as dissector for Cruveilhier and lectured on anatomy at the request of Richet. He received his diploma from the Ecole de Medicine and returned home after five years in Paris to graduate from the Medical College in Charleston in 1846 where he practiced medicine and was on the faculty.

Dr. Middleton Michel was editor of several medical journals, an able linguist, a member of many learned societies, and possessed such a great intellect that he was able to lecture in every department of the Medical College with ability and ease.

Dr. Middleton Michel married Cecilia Inglesby of Charleston in April 1866 and they had nine children. In 1875 when the first five children were quite small (and before the second group of four were born) they caught diptheria from a patient of Dr. Michel and four of the five children died within two weeks. The fifth died within the year. Cecilia was pregnant with Henry, the subject of this article, at the time. She soon had Henry and three other children but according to a member of the family they were indulged and spoiled horribly. For example, the Michel boys had a donkey and the city firemen made a little firetruck with a harness the donkey could run into and be automatically hooked up to the firetruck. The boys and their donkey went to all the fires in Charleston with the firemen.

In 1894, when Henry was 19 years old and a student at the Medical College in Charleston, his father died and Cecilia moved to Augusta with Henry and her three other children to be near her husband's sister, wife of the southern poet Paul Hamilton Hayne.

Henry's mother, after the death of her husband, lived on only $30 a month. She built a house on the corner of Cumming Road and Katharine Street and this is where Henry lived when he first came to Augusta. This house burned not long after it was built and Mrs. Michel traded the lot on which it had been built for a lot on Glenn Avenue. She built two houses on this lot (which are still standing) across the street from the family of Dr. Goodrich Henry who was later to be associated with Dr. Michel in the practice of orthopaedics. Dr. Michel lived in the smaller of the two houses after he was married.

Henry's two brothers dropped out of college so he could attend medical school in Augusta. To continue at Charleston was out of the question. Henry was graduated from the University of Georgia School of Medicine (where he was a member of Chi Zeta Alpha which was later to become Phi Rho Sigma) in 1896 and became a licensed physician that same year. He opened an office on Greene Street in the basement of Dr. T. E. Oertel's house about where the Trailways Bus Station is now.[1] He lived there in an apartment, that being the custom of the time. A male servant looked after him.

By 1906 Dr. Michel was Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery in the Medical Department of the University of Georgia. He never changed to any other specialty. At that time it was quite common to change from one specialty to another as the need arose. But Henry never veered from orthopaedics regardless of openings, needs, chances for advancement at the Medical College, or for more lucrative specialties in private practice. Orthopaedics was very special to him and he insisted that it always be spelled with the Greek "ae" without "debasing simplification".[2]

Dr. Michel and some of the other intellectuals of Augusta, Dr. William Houston, Dr. Eugene Murphey, and Henry Cumming, made up a foursome who met regularly for lunch at the old Commercial Club at a table called "The Poets' Corner". Dr. Houston was an internist who was to go to France with Dr. Michel during the First World War. Dr. Murphey, born the same year as Dr. Michel, was also an internist and lived in what is now known as the Old Government House. Mr. Cumming was a cousin of the present Joseph Bryan Cumming of Augusta and Dr. Michel's father-in-law many years later.

These four friends delighted in reciting poetry, quoting from plays, and displaying all sorts of knowledge — both medical and literary. Henry Cumming wrote a poem about his friends Dr. Murphey and Dr. Michel:

> "How truly fortunate my lot
> That my two friends should know so much,
> 'Tis rare that one encounters such

[1]Mrs. Oertel was the founder and the first president of the Auxiliary to the Richmond County Medical Association.
[2]Related by Dr. Goodrich Henry.

Dr. Henry Middleton Michel (second from right) with his French operating team.

A mass of learning best forgot.
Not cribbed, nor cabinned, nor confined,
They take all knowledge for their own,
And ever with enquiring mind
Range through each varied clime and zone.

"They know the dire effects which flow
From using Roentgen's cathode rays,
What happened to Menander's plays,
What makes a maiden's passion glow.
The ether in a scale they weigh,
They know the cure of every ill,
Why, when beneath religion's sway,
Love's ardor gains another thrill."[3]

Dr. Michel was arrogant, sharp tongued, and uncompromising when it came to intellectual dishonesty. He couldn't stand stupidity in people who should know better and was pedantic about sloppy constructions and careless pronunciation. Contact used as a verb was an anathema to him. But when he made rounds he was always sympathetic, uncondescending, and unfailingly courteous to his patients. He invariably asked about the patient's family in the Charlestonese accent which bordered on Gullah and made pleasant small talk with the patient. His "You look better today" often changed to "She looks terrible" or a remark in French if necessary as soon as he thought he was out of earshot.

Often Dr. Michel was seemingily sacreligious. A former patient told this story:

The patient was having some trouble with his foot and went to see Dr. Michel. Dr. Michel diagnosed it as a fallen arch and told the patient to go to Sawilosky who would know what to put on the shoe. And since he was talking to an educated patient the directions to Sawilosky's Shoe Repair Shop were taken from Shakespeare: "Turne upon your right hand at the next turning, but at the next turning of all on your left; marrie at the verie next turning, turn of no hand."[4] Then the patient was told he was to exercise his arch by putting his foot on a book the size of a Bible, wiggling his toes over the end.

At 40 Dr. Michel proved to be like countless other men approaching middle age — restless and seeking a renewal of youth. World War I had started in Europe and he longed to join the French and help in the fight against les Boches. The United States had not entered the war and France after all was the country of his ancestors. On April 29, 1916 Dr. Michel and his friend Dr. William Houston left their well established practices in Augusta and sailed to England on the St. Louis landing in Liverpool.

Dr. Michel's first letters from England were enthusiastic. But he grew impatient as the time dragged on before he was given permission to go to France. Finally, on the 25th of May, he wrote his mother from Morley's Hotel on Trafalgar Square in London: "At last I have got all of my papers arranged and am leaving for France. I shall be at Neuilly about five miles out of Paris. It appears that a number of Americans have got over formerly, who had no right to be there, so the French authorities are very strict. But at last we are fixed and go over tonight. . . . We have been having a very pleasant time in England, but for the uncertainty as to when we were going to leave. The weather has been fine, very much the same as I left at home — The English are wonderful people, but for the number of soldiers one sees on the street, no one would suppose that the great war was going on."

Dr. Michel was to spend four years in France, longer than any other soldier from Augusta. He was a very faithful correspondent and worried constantly about his mother whom he adored. On June 12, 1916 he wrote his mother from Lyon: "Just a line dearest Mother on your birthday. I am installed in a large hospital in which I sleep. There is often a great deal to do and at other times not much. My work is most interesting and everybody has been most kind to me. Until you hear further address me here. Hospital Auxiliare No. 112, Lyon, France." Much later he wrote: "I wish dearest Mother that you could see this wonderful country. I have a vacation of three weeks and am enjoying myself like a colt in a new pasture. All the descriptions one reads do not come up to the reality of the beauties of the Cote D'Azur." Toward the end of the war Dr. Michel was getting a little homesick. He wrote: "Why don't I ever hear from anybody. I write all the time and it is like pouring water in a rat hole. I hope to be sent home soon. Just when who knows."

Letters frequently were censored or sent to the bottom of the sea and never reached their destination. Dr. Michel wrote a letter which never arrived to Augustans in care of the Chronicle thanking them for a saw they had sent him. In a second letter which did arrive he said he was being very careful to not mention war politics so that this letter would have a better chance of getting to Augusta. He did say, however, that "the future civilization lies in the hands of France, England and America. There is not much hope from the other allies." He was touched he had not been forgotten by the people in Augusta and wrote "I take the gift of that saw somewhat as an expression of good will to me personally. I may tell you with all due modesty that I have been able to do some good work with it since its arrival. I have had occasion to do many bone operations of various sorts, about 30 of which I would not have attempted without it." The money for this Albee saw, which cost

[3]*My Two Friends.* Dedicated to Drs. Eugene E. Murphey and Henry M. Michel. By Henry H. Cumming, 1910.

[4]Shakespeare, William, *Merchant of Venice,* Act II, Scene 2.

$250.00, was raised in one day by an appeal in the Augusta Chronicle written by its editor Thomas W. Loyless on May 3, 1917. Mr. Loyless, Mrs. Louis Battey's grandfather, was able to write in the Chronicle the next morning "Dr. Michel — "Heine" — gets that saw" and it was sent on the next boat from New York.

Dr. Michel was called "Heine" because he hated les Boches — but not by his juniors. You had to be at least a contemporary to have this privilege.

Dr. Michel was the highest ranking American citizen in the French army. He was given the rank of major when he first went to France where he was stationed for eight months at Lyon, a big hospital center having 130 hospitals. He was sent to Dijon and put in charge of a large hospital with hundreds of patients. His skill and success at this hospital caused him to be given the command of a still greater hospital at the front near Estree St. Denis. "His judgment, his exceptional knowledge and his coolness have been remarked repeatedly by surgeons from all parts of the country, and it is understood that the excellent discharge of his duties while at this sector led to still higher promotions until the doctor was mentioned as one of the leading men of his generation."[5]

Dr. Michel had been promoted to Captain in the French army when the United States entered the war and he offered his services to his own country. He was attached to the American Base Hospital No. 1 at Neuilly. Later he was transferred to Hospital 103 in the same city and was also surgeon in chief of the famous American Hospital in Paris for civilians in Neuilly. When asked by a reporter he said French surgeons were superior to ours, but our medical men were the best.

After three years with the French and one year with the Americans Dr. Michel, at the war's end, sailed for home on the "America" and landed in New York on Oct. 31, 1919.

Dr. Michel resumed his practice of orthopaedics when he returned from France at the end of World War I and his office was now on Broad Street in the Southern Finance Building. He continued as Professor of Orthopaedics at the Medical College in Augusta and his love of dramatics served him well as a teacher of medical students whom he called his "disciples," using the word in its classical sense, and as an expert witness in court. He used to tell his students, "Remember,

[5]*Augusta Chronicle,* December 1919.

Dr. Michel attending patients at Hospital Auxiliare No. 112

you know more than the smartest lawyer." Mr. Joseph Cumming, now retired from the law firm of Cumming, Nixon, and Eve and who for years taught legal medicine at the Medical College of Georgia, said Dr. Michel was a wonderful witness in court and was superb in the way he could handle a hostile lawyer. He was asked to testify in the case of a young woman who had fallen from an elevator. She had no objective symptoms but complained of constant pain. Dr. Michel said this was a psychosomatic case and as soon as the case was settled the young woman's pain would disappear. He said it would make no difference whether she won or lost. He had seen the same thing happen in France. Fourteen hundred cases of shell shock in the American Hospital in Paris disappeared as soon as the armistice was signed. The young woman's case was settled and her pain did disappear.

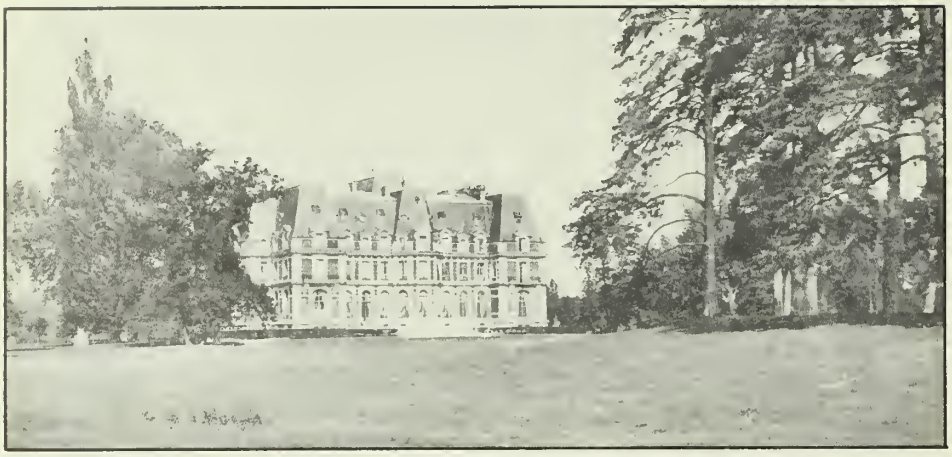
Dr. Michel's mother died in 1920. On Oct. 7, 1922 he and Carolyn Cumming, the daughter of his good friend Henry Cumming, were quietly married at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in New York. In 1925, when Dr. Michel was 50 years old and Carolyn Cumming Michel 34 years old, their only child, Carolyn, was born.

Mrs. Michel and Carolyn were an integral part of Dr. Michel's intellectual life. Although Dr. Michel used to comment that his wife didn't know the New Testament, just the Old, she was his intellectual companion and read Boswell's Life of Johnson to him when his eyesight began to deteriorate. His daughter remembers that he taught her Latin poems to recite to the Nuns at Mount St. Joseph's and quotations from Shakespeare to tell her pediatrician when he made housecalls: "I am that shaken with 'a burning quotidian tertian as is most lamentable to behold' ".[6] She wrote "He would have been a good actor, I think. As a matter of fact, he ran away from home the summer he was 16, joining a traveling circus. I think his parents didn't know where he was until he got home! He loved circuses and whenever one came to Augusta he and I went. In France all clowns are called Joey, and he used to insist that I bellow out "Allo, Joey" when the clowns paraded past us. I didn't much like to do that, but was pushed into it by his insistence." A friend of Dr. Michel remembers that he used to invite the circus midgets to his office whenever the circus was in town.

Carolyn called her father Dokker and wrote about "Dokker's facility at reciting large chunks of Shakespeare at a moment's notice". Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cumming recalled that Dr. Michel was in the Augusta Little Theater, although he liked the rehearsals better than the actual performances. One time he told Mrs. Cumming he wanted to get lots of plays together and rehearse them but not give them. "We can just have the fun of the rehearsals." "Rehearsals were the thing."

Perhaps because he was getting older, perhaps because of the arthritis that was to cripple him badly in his later years, and

[6]Shakespeare, William, Henry V, Act II, Scene 1. Mrs Quickly's description of the dying Fallstaff.



Chateau used for hospital

perhaps because of his love of dramatics Dr. Michel gradually took to directing the operating team instead of doing the operation himself. "He enjoyed the operating room as he would a horse race — sitting on a stool, exhorting and advising the operating team, and at times entertaining nurses and onlooking colleagues." Physically he was a small man whose feet "barely touched the ground". He tended to perspire profusely and in his words "poured from every pore".[7] The picture of him sitting on a stool, his feet on the middle rung, wiping sweat, and urging the team on is indeed graphic.

Dr. Michel influenced a great many students to go into orthopaedics. He told one of his former "disciples", Dr. Goodrich Henry, to not sit on the bleachers during World War II but "to get the best box seat possible so you won't miss the biggest show the world has ever seen." Dr. Henry had wanted to join the Navy but he ended up joining the Army, started out in North Africa and did have a great big box seat.

Dr. Michel was not interested in making lots of money. His daughter wrote: "He was very generous and was also quite unbusinesslike. In Augusta at that time doctors were not generally well-off. There was a doctor among his contemporaries named Harry Goodrich who seemed to me to be quite rich. I remember asking Dokker how it could be that Dr. Goodrich was rich and still a doctor. He told me that 'Harry has been very lucky in the stock market' . . . His modest income didn't set him apart from other doctors so much as his interest in so many things that weren't connected with his work. He really did seem to me, a child, to be the fount of all knowledge. No matter what I asked him he seemed to have some notion of the topic and to be able to fill in with all sorts of interesting sidelights."

At one time he shared an office with Dr. John Wright. Dr. Wright had a large Black practice and Dr. Michel worried about Dr. Wright, thinking he might not be making a living for this was during the Depression and most of the Blacks were very poor. Dr. Wright told Dr. Michel his Black patients always paid him. Dr. Michel was astounded. It had never occurred to him to ask any patient for money. It was satisfaction enough to fix something that wasn't right. Once when he was driving through the country he saw a little crippled boy sitting on the porch of a cabin. He stopped the car, turned around, and drove up to the cabin door. He got out, knocked on the cabin door, and introduced himself to the boy's mother. He offered to operate on the crippled boy and see to it that all expenses were paid and the child returned to normal. He did operate on the child, paid all the expenses himself, and had the satisfaction of knowing that he had corrected something which was imperfect.

Dr. Michel was the chief surgeon for the Augusta Southern Railway and the local surgeon for the Southern Railway and Georgia Railroad. He did send them bills for work done.

During the Depression Dr. Michel and Dr. Goodrich Henry ran President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Crippled Children's Service in Augusta. Dr. Michel had a roll top desk which he loved and Dr. Henry discovered whenever the paperwork got out of hand Dr. Michel would just roll down the top to hide the confusion. He hated paper work and writing (which is why he published almost no scientific papers) and by mutual agreement Dr. Henry finally took over the written reports and other paperwork for Dr. Michel although they both treated their own separate patients.

Dr. Michel got along very pleasantly with practically all of his colleagues. He did not like unpleasantness and if there was a difference of opinion with a colleague he would almost always say "All right, do it your way." Dr. Goodrich Henry called him "Augusta's outstanding if not only hedonistic philosopher. More avid than his promotion of the pleasurable was his avoidance of the disagreeable and distasteful."

One of Dr. Michel's pleasures after World War I was going to medical meetings, particularly Georgia Medical Association meetings and Southern Medical Association meetings. One time the Richmond County Medical Association decided to run Dr. Michel for president of the Georgia Medical Association. It was to be held at the Richmond Hotel and it was thought he could win in spite of a running rivalry with Atlanta. Atlanta had more members than any other group in the state and the largest percentage of all the members. Richmond County felt confident that it could win, however, because the word was out that just a few members from Atlanta would be at the meeting. Just as the voting started the train from Atlanta pulled into Augusta and out came more than a car full of doctors from Atlanta. They arrived in time to vote and Atlanta's man won. Dr. Michel told his friends he was crestfallen at first that he had lost. Then as the afternoon went on he was glad because he realized he would have had to be up there the next year presiding and he didn't like to be bothered with things like that.

Dr. Michel was visiting orthopaedic surgeon at the University Hospital, Augusta City Hospital, Lamar Hospital, and Wilhenford Hospital (all in Augusta). He gave up his active practice in 1945 and in that year became Emeritus Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the Medical School.

In 1954, four years before he died, Dr. Michel was made a Life Member of the Medical Association of Georgia. He was quite touched by this and considered it an honor. He wrote Dr. Milton D. Krueger, the executive secretary, to thank him, using a characteristic French word: "I fear that I have done very little to deserve this honour, except having the knack of outliving most of my confreres." But, as Dr. Goodrich Henry said of Dr. Michel, "The colleagues and the 'disciples' of this genial and intelligent man looked on him as one of medicine's unique ornaments."

[7]Related by Dr. Goodrich Henry.

'Change imaginatively' is the '80s challenge

by Julie Guillebeau

Most of us emerged in medical academe and earned our spurs during a period of unprecedented fiscal growth. Our attitudes, approaches, and academic lifestyles have been shaped and established by this experience. That period is at an end. To survive and to prosper in the decade to come, medicine will adjust to a period of little or no real economic growth and change imaginatively to allow progress to continue.

David E. Rogers, MD, president
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

"Change imaginatively" are the key words, and Dr. Fairfield Goodale, MCG dean of medicine agrees with Dr. Rogers that we must use individual talents effectively; we must use human creativity to our best advantage if medicine is to continue progressing in the new decade.

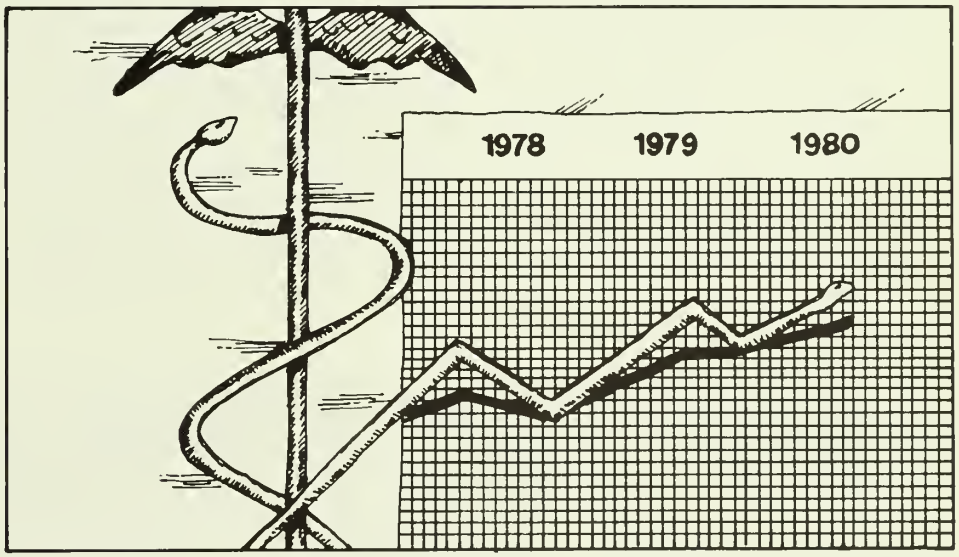
"In the late 50's and 60's it was possible to obtain funding for just about anything, even though the merits of the proposals may have been modest. Now you have to say "no." You have to make hard choices between well-deserving projects."

Dr. Goodale continues that in the "good old days" federal funds were given pretty much without strings, and there was a good relationship between academe and the federal government. It has since evolved into the proverbial "he who pays the piper calls the tune." Unfortunately, explains Dr. Goodale, one of the results of federal funding with strings is the encouragement of mediocrity.

He likened it to the phenomenon often seen in the military. "In almost any outfit, everybody tries to raise those at the bottom, help pull them up. But at the same time, those individuals who show potential to advance or who show leadership, are often pulled down. So you end up with an entire group moderate in talents and efforts.

Most in medicine today don't see a return to the good old days, rather they perceive that there will be only more and more federal regulations and limitations placed upon them. Dealing with these is something that physicians must learn.

Those lessons also will include the public, its reasonableness and understanding. For example, nearly everyone today feels that health care is too costly. Several medical leaders lay the blame at the doctor's door. Dr. Arnold S. Relman, editor of the **New England Journal of Medicine,** commented that today's physicians are doing much more for many more patients. There is an increase in the intensiveness of care; new diagnostic tools, CAT scanners, are used more often, as are the non-invasive techniques like cardiac catheterizations. These are sound medical practices, and give patients just what they've asked for, the best care possible. They also are very expensive.



Patients have asked for an increase in costs in another area too, ordinary laboratory tests. According to Relman, nearly 10 percent of personal health care costs are found in ordinary laboratory tests.

Voila . . . doctors can lower costs by simply not ordering as many ordinary laboratory tests. Dr. Goodale agrees that this is a good way to lower costs, but "it's going to take some understanding on the part of both the consumer and the courts. Every physician is obligated, due to his ethics, to provide the best health care, and that means leaving no stone unturned." Adding to this is the current rate of malpractice suits being leveled at practicing physicians. Since every patient wants everything done to him to help diagnose or treat him, the physician is no longer free to use his good judgment as to when to order and not order more tests. So, there probably will continue to be more lab work done.

We could continue bemoaning the fact that health care costs are high and something must be done about it, but it would be more productive to listen to today's medical leaders.

The message they seem to be sending is that we are going to see some changes in health care, changes for the better, changes that will involve both the health care providers and receivers.

Tomorrow's physicians will still be providing the best health care in the world, but they will be doing so with less resources and that will require the use of each individual's imagination and creativity.

SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY

Richard L. Hoodenpyle, '73, is president of the High Point, N.C., Dental Society and chief of the dental section at High Point Memorial Hospital. He writes that his second child, Lauren Emily, was born Oct. 19, 1979.

Patrick Rice, '75, opened a dental office in Tallapoosa. He has been in private practice in Atlanta for the last two years. Dr. Rice and his wife, the former **Marti Schauf**, '73, MSN, live in the Tallapoosa area.

Virginia Leonard, '78, has joined a dental practice in Millen. Prior to moving to Millen, she served as a dentist at Central State Hospital. Dr. Leonard is a member of the American Dental Association, Toastmasters International and Lioness Club. In addition, she is a talented musician who has served as a church organist for the past eight years.

Thomas E. Oppenheim, '78, has opened an office for the practice of family dentistry in Savannah. He is a member of the American and Georgia Dental Associations and the Southeastern District Dental Society.

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Marshal Shlafer, '74, of Ypsilanti, Mich., joined the department of pharmacology at the University of Michigan Medical School. He and his wife **Jean Loop**, RN, '74, have a daughter, Beth.

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

Theo M. Yates, '19, is retired and lives in Columbia, S.C. He writes, "God has been good to me."

Samuel F. Rosen, '29, of Tybee Island, writes that he retired from active practice due to disability. He was named historian of the Georgia Medical Society and writes a monthly column for the Georgia Medical Society Bulletin. He has been appointed to the advisory board of the Israel Institute of Medical History, Jerusalem, Israel.

James S. New, '36, of Dublin, writes that he is active, healthy and enjoying retirement. He is a psychiatric administrative consultant to the local mental health center.

Katherine Hendry, '38, of Blackshear, had 10 of her oil paints on exhibit during November and December in the Blackshear Memorial Library. She is now retired after being a physician in Blackshear for almost 40 years.

Jay Goldstein, '41, writes that he is retired and now lives in Scotsdale, Ariz.

Harold Engler, '50, of Augusta, was selected as faculty member in Alpha Omega Alpha honorary medical society.

Albert Lehmon, '51, has joined the McGovern Allergy Clinic in Houston, Tex., in the clinical practice of pediatric and adult allergy. He is a fellow in the American Association for Clinical Immunology and Allergy, and associate fellow in the American College of Allergy.

Melvin Spira, '56, was elected a director of the American Board of Plastic Surgery.

Horace Killam, '59, was appointed chief of cardiology section at the VA Medical Center in Augusta.

Odis Stamps, Jr., '59, of Industry, Calif., is a member of the American Board of Family Practice.

Leonard Fishman, '60, has opened an office for the practice of dermatology in Habersham County. He has been practicing

dermatology in the Atlanta area for a number of years.

William R. Tipton, '60, was recently promoted to Army colonel while serving as a staff physician with the allergy immunology service at Ft. Simmons Army Medical Center, Aurora, Colo.

John N. Pappas, '62, of Omaha, Neb., has been appointed an assistant professor of pathology at the University of Nebraska College of Medicine.

Thomas B. Merritt, '64, recently began the practice of psychiatry at the Americus and Sumter County Hospital. He retired from the U.S. Navy Jan. 1, 1980. Before his retirement he was stationed in Beaufort, S.C., and held the rank of captain.

William L. Clark, Jr., '65, has been elected president of the medical staff of University Hospital in Augusta. He is associated with Orthopedics Associates of Augusta.

J. F. Sampson, '70, is in private practice at Rose Medical Center in Denver.

William C. Acton, '71, has been appointed to the department of radiology at the King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. After completing his duties in Riyadh, he will serve as a consultant to Hospital Corporation of America and will tour areas in the Far East, Japan and Australia.

Phillip N. Bannister, '73, has become a member of the obstetrics and gynecology department of the Toccoa Clinic.

Clinton E. Branch, Jr., '73, of Gainesville, has joined the Neuorological Group of Northeast Georgia. He has been recently appointed assistant clinical professor in the MCG department of neurology.

Robert E. Dicks, III, '73, has returned to Athens to practice neurological surgery. He and his wife, Lynn, have two sons, Alec and Claude.

Douglas Howell, '73, is practicing general surgery in Jesup. Howell received a state scholarship for his medical education.

Suzanne G. Pratt, '73, has joined Three Rivers Ob-Gyn Clinic in Rome. Prior to coming to Rome she was at the Dwight David Eisenhower Army Medical Center at Fort Gordon.

Victor E. Silverman, '73, of Atlanta, has been certified as a diplomat in the subspecialty of endocrinology and metabolism.

Sidney J. Bolch, III, '74, is practicing cardiology in Savannah.

Frank G. Pratt, Jr., '75, has joined the staff of the Harbin Clinic in Rome. His practice is limited to psychiatry.

Donny Gilley, '75, and **William I. Waller, III**, '75, of Savannah, have been elected to membership in the American College of Physicians.

D. B. Hurst, '77, of San Diego, Calif., has been promoted to Lieutenant Commander, U.S. Navy, Medical Corps.

Robert Bryant Hall, '78, is associated with a family practice clinic in Bunn, N.C.

SCHOOL OF NURSING

Dare Domico, '76, has been named an instructor at the University of Mississippi School of Nursing at the Medical Center in Jackson.

Jean Como Barbour, '78, has been appointed coordinator of the Georgia Southern College nursing program.

Janet Hazel Battle, '78, has completed the training course at Delta Airlines' Training School and is now a Delta flight attendant assigned to Atlanta.

Jean C. Lawrence, MSN, '78, has been appointed associate professor of nursing at Middle Georgia College.

Jeanne Clark Smith, '78, has completed the training course at Delta Airlines' Training School. She is now a Delta flight attendant assigned to New Orleans.

Deaths

William G. Frost '21, Elizabethton, Tenn.
Irvine Phinizy '23, Augusta.
Lewis L. Rawls '27, Macon.
William R. Durham '29, Maxeys.
George A. Holloway '32, Atlanta.
Dorothy J. Kluakaupt '38, Passaic, N.J.
George W. Vickery '38, Gulfport, Miss.
Winstar Graham, Jr. '41, Marietta.
Newton C. Ware '42, Jacksonville, Fla.
Ellis Dixon '47, Athens.
Victor Benator '77, Atlanta.

The Edgar R. Pund Memorial Fund

"If anybody deserves to be memorialized at the Medical College of Georgia, it is Dr. Pund, and I will contribute with the greatest of pleasure. If you tried to measure Dr. Pund's value in dollars and cents, you couldn't."

Dr. William Boyd, '42

Over $10,000 in cash and pledges have been received following two recent luncheons sponsored in Augusta by the Pund Memorial Committee. In October members of the committee announced to friends and colleagues of the late Dr. Pund that the major purpose of the Edgar R. Pund Pathology Fund is to endow a professorship in honor of the memory of the second President of the Medical College of Georgia. To endow a chair $250,000 is required and to date 10 percent of the goal has been reached. Among those attending the luncheons were: Mr. Williams and Mr. Harry Pund, the late Dr. Pund's son and brother, Dr. Moretz, President of the Medical College of Georgia and Dr. Goodale, dean of the School of Medicine.

Many of those attending spoke extemporaneously about Dr. Pund and the immense positive influence he had made upon the college and a generation of its graduates. The above quote of Dr. Boyd's is an example of the sentiment expressed by those who knew Dr. Pund. Dr. Pund's ex-students centered their remarks on his teaching and testing methods and were pleased that the Pund Committee had used the "blue book" as a format for its information brochure.

Similar gatherings are being planned throughout the state for the months ahead.

The Pund Memorial Committee

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